GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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LUNG CANCER
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a sharp rise in number of lung cancer patients in the country;

(b) if so, the main causes of such increase; and

(c) the corrective steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to control the spread of this disease?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) : No, Sir.

(b) : In view of (a) above, does not arise.

(c) : Under the National Cancer Control Programme the Government provides financial assistance for the following schemes:-

i) Upgradation of Regional Cancer Centres in various States/UTs.
ii) Development of Oncology Wing in identified Medical Colleges/Hospitals.
iii) Installation of Cobalt Therapy facilities in Government/Charitable Institutions.
iv) District Cancer Control Programme to provide service for prevention and early detection of cancer, training of existing medical and para-medical staff of the concerned district and palliative treatment of termially ill patients.
v) Financial assistance to NGOs for awareness and early detection of cancer.